

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re DIVISIONAL Application of)
Shunpei YAMAZAKI)
Based On Serial No. 08/857,556) Art Unit: 2811
Which Was Filed: May 16, 1997) Examiner: S. Crane
For: METHOD OF FORMING INSULATING)
FILMS, CAPACITANCES, AND)
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES) Date: July 20, 2000

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please preliminarily amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Before the first sentence of the specification, insert --This application is a Division of Application Serial No. 08 857,556 filed May 16, 1997; which itself is a Division of Serial No. 08 250,344 filed May 27, 1994, now U.S. Patent